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(11) Divide the mean measured concentration by the recorded span concentration of the CH<sub>4</sub> calibration gas. The result is the FID analyzer's response factor for CH<sub>4</sub>,  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$ .

(e) *THC FID CH<sub>4</sub> response verification.* This procedure is only for FID analyzers that measure THC. Verify  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  as follows:

(1) Perform a CH<sub>4</sub> response factor determination as described in paragraph (d) of this section. If the resulting value of  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  is within  $\pm 5\%$  of its most recent previously determined value, the THC FID passes the CH<sub>4</sub> response verification. For example, if the most recent previous value for  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  was 1.05 and it increased by 0.05 to become 1.10 or it decreased by 0.05 to become 1.00, either case would be acceptable because  $\pm 4.8\%$  is less than  $\pm 5\%$ .

(2) If  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  is not within the tolerance specified in paragraph (e)(1) of this section, use good engineering judgment to verify that the flow rates and/or pressures of FID fuel, burner air, and sample are at their most recent previously recorded values, as determined in paragraph (c) of this section. You may adjust these flow rates as necessary. Then determine the  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  as described in paragraph (d) of this section and verify that it is within the tolerance specified in this paragraph (e).

(3) If  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  is not within the tolerance specified in this paragraph (e), re-optimize the FID response as described in paragraph (c) of this section.

(4) Determine a new  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  as described in paragraph (d) of this section. Use this new value of  $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$  in the calculations for HC determination, as described in § 1065.660.

(5) For analyzers with multiple ranges, you need to perform the procedure in this paragraph (e) only on a single range.

#### § 1065.362 Non-stoichiometric raw exhaust FID O<sub>2</sub> interference verification.

(a) *Scope and frequency.* If you use FID analyzers for raw exhaust measurements from engines that operate in a non-stoichiometric mode of combustion (e.g., compression-ignition, lean-burn), verify the amount of FID O<sub>2</sub> interference upon initial installation and after major maintenance.

(b) *Measurement principles.* Changes in O<sub>2</sub> concentration in raw exhaust can affect FID response by changing FID flame temperature. Optimize FID fuel, burner air, and sample flow to meet this verification. Verify FID performance with the compensation algorithms for FID O<sub>2</sub> interference that you have active during an emission test.

(c) *System requirements.* Any FID analyzer used during testing must meet the FID O<sub>2</sub> interference verification according to the procedure in this section.

(d) *Procedure.* Determine FID O<sub>2</sub> interference as follows, noting that you may use one or more gas dividers to create the reference gas concentrations that are required to perform this verification:

(1) Select three span reference gases that contain a C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> concentration that you use to span your analyzers before emission testing. Use only span gases that meet the specifications of § 1065.750. You may use CH<sub>4</sub> span reference gases for FIDs calibrated on CH<sub>4</sub> with a nonmethane cutter. Select the three balance gas concentrations such that the concentrations of O<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> represent the minimum, maximum, and average O<sub>2</sub> concentrations expected during testing. The requirement for using the average O<sub>2</sub> concentration can be removed if you choose to calibrate the FID with span gas balanced with the average expected oxygen concentration.

(2) Confirm that the FID analyzer meets all the specifications of § 1065.360.

(3) Start and operate the FID analyzer as you would before an emission test. Regardless of the FID burner's air source during testing, use zero air as the FID burner's air source for this verification.

(4) Zero the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing.

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(5) Span the FID analyzer using a span gas that you use during emission testing.

(6) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of sampled data is within  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(7) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the minimum concentration of  $O_2$  expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as  $x_{O2minHC}$ .

(8) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(9) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the average concentration of  $O_2$  expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as  $x_{O2avgHC}$ .

(10) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(11) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the maximum concentration of  $O_2$  expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as  $x_{O2maxHC}$ .

(12) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(13) Calculate the percent difference between  $x_{O2maxHC}$  and its reference gas

concentration. Calculate the percent difference between  $x_{O2avgHC}$  and its reference gas concentration. Calculate the percent difference between  $x_{O2minHC}$  and its reference gas concentration. Determine the maximum percent difference of the three. This is the  $O_2$  interference.

(14) If the  $O_2$  interference is within  $\pm 2\%$ , the FID passes the  $O_2$  interference verification; otherwise perform one or more of the following to address the deficiency:

(i) Repeat the verification to determine if a mistake was made during the procedure.

(ii) Select zero and span gases for emission testing that contain higher or lower  $O_2$  concentrations and repeat the verification.

(iii) Adjust FID burner air, fuel, and sample flow rates. Note that if you adjust these flow rates on a THC FID to meet the  $O_2$  interference verification, you have reset  $RF_{CH4}$  for the next  $RF_{CH4}$  verification according to § 1065.360. Repeat the  $O_2$  interference verification after adjustment and determine  $RF_{CH4}$ .

(iv) Repair or replace the FID and repeat the  $O_2$  interference verification.

(v) Demonstrate that the deficiency does not adversely affect your ability to demonstrate compliance with the applicable emission standards.

(15) For analyzers with multiple ranges, you need to perform the procedure in this paragraph (d) only on a single range.

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#### § 1065.365 Nonmethane cutter penetration fractions.

(a) *Scope and frequency.* If you use a FID analyzer and a nonmethane cutter (NMC) to measure methane ( $CH_4$ ), determine the nonmethane cutter's penetration fractions of  $CH_4$ ,  $PF_{CH_4}$ , and ethane,  $PF_{C_2H_6}$ . As detailed in this section, these penetration fractions may be determined as a combination of NMC penetration fractions and FID analyzer response factors, depending on your particular NMC and FID analyzer configuration. Perform this verification after installing the nonmethane cutter. Repeat this verification within 185 days of